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RADIO/TV DEPARTMENT EARNS BROADCASTERS-IN-RESIDENCE GRANT

MISSOULA -

University of Montana journalism students will have the chance to learn from the pros, thanks to a grant awarded to the Department of Radio/Television.

Professionals from the broadcast industry will share their knowledge with students through a partnership between the radio/TV department and KHQ-TV, Spokane's NBC affiliate. The first visit is scheduled for Sept. 25-29 when news anchor and reporter Dana Haynes and chief photographer Jeff Hite will lecture, critique student work and conduct workshops on campus.

Assistant Professor Denise Dowling, who wrote the grant-winning proposal, said, "Our students can't wait for the opportunity to have one-on-one time with these broadcast professionals. We know students will benefit from what these pros have learned during their years in the business. We also expect KHQ will have the opportunity to identify talented students who may someday come to work for them."

Other professionals in the fields of promotion, programming and news production will visit campus throughout the academic year.

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"These visiting professionals will bring fresh perspectives and extensive experience to the classroom," School of Journalism Dean Jerry Brown said. "They will have a chance to see firsthand how talented and committed our students are. We look forward to the exchange of knowledge and skills."

The grant comes from the Knight Foundation in conjunction with the Association of Schools of Journalism and Mass Communication.

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